Request for Procurement of Voting Machines

† 1032. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Election Commision has made a request to procure 1.5 lakh voting machines to facilitate the holding of elections as of now;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any decision to procure these machines so far;

(c) if not, the resons therefor; and

(d) if the decision to purchase these machines has already been taken, by when these machines will be made available and the estimated amount thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The request of the Election Commission of India is being examined by the Government.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.